

Remarks

[0002] Herein, the "Action" or "Office Action" refers to the non-final Office Action dated November 1, 2007.

[0003] Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims of the application. Claims 16, 18-23, and 61-74 are presently pending. Claims 1, 3, 8-15, 24-35, and 60 are cancelled herein. Claims 62-68 and 71-74 are amended herein. No new claims are added herein.

Election/Restriction

[0004] The claims are subjected to a restriction/election requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 as containing 4 patentably distinct groups of the claimed invention:

- I. Claims 1, 3, and 8-15.
- II. Claims 16, 18-32, and 61-74.
- III. Claims 24-28.
- IV. Claims 29-35, and 60.

[0005] Applicant hereby elects—without traverse—to prosecute Group II (claims 16, 18-32, and 61-74). Consequently, claims 1, 3, and 8-15, 24-35, and 60 are canceled herein.

Claim Amendments

[0006] The amendments to claims 62-68 and 71-74 are merely to correct the dependency of the claims. No new matter has been added.

Conclusion

[0007] All pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the application. If any issues remain that prevent issuance of this application, the Examiner is urged to contact me before issuing a subsequent Action. Please call/email me or my assistant at your convenience.

Respectfully Submitted,

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